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## Jaycee-Ettes First State Wide Day



Officers for the coming year pictured above are, left to right: Mrs. Judy Rescignio, treasurer; Mrs. Kay Babcock, vice-president; Mrs. Gail Handy, president; Mrs. Marilyn Levgers, of Westfield, State vice-president; Mrs. Linda Hall, secretary; and Mrs. Rita Lawrie, civic director.

The Agawam Jaycee-Ettes would like to announce the first annual state-wide Jaycee-Ette Day to be held on Wednesday, Jan. 22nd.

The Massachusetts Jaycee-Ettes were founded 16 years ago and have since then grown into a strong organization with 48 chapters and a state membership of over 900.

The Massachusetts Jaycee-Ettes main function is to aide the Jaycees in any way needed. One of the main functions of the Jaycees and Jaycee-Ettes around the world is working in the mental health and retardation field.

The Agawam Jaycee-Ettes was chartered less than 2 years ago, have run many civic projects, (Please Turn To Page 3)

## Come Back To Erin' St. John's Guild Show Set For March 14-15

"Come Back To Erin," a St. Patrick's Day musical show, will be presented by St. John the Evangelist Guild for the benefit of St. John's parish on March 14 and 15 at Agawam High School. Rev. Walter J. Joyce, pastor, and Mrs. John Tanner, Guild

president, are co-chairmen. Mrs. Thomas M. Danford is serving as general chairman of arrangements with Harry Williams directing the show. Fred Desparlais is accompanist and Rev. Albert Blanchard is associate director.

The musical revue will feature songs and dances well known to lovers of St. Patrick. Rehearsals have started and are being held each week until show time.

Following are committee chairmen for the show: ads, Postmaster Robert DeForge; patrons, Mrs. Ronald Meunier; stage director, Edmund Coffey; scenery, Rudy Altobelli; tickets, Mrs. Charles Tyler and Mrs. Alfred Trehey; usherettes, Miss Cindy Collins.

John Shea has been chosen (Please Turn To Page 3)

## Women's Club To Meet Monday

The annual "Gentlemen's Night" will be observed by the Agawam Women's Club at the January meeting Monday evening, the 27th at 8 in the Captain Charles Leonard House.

"Narcotics and You" will be presented by Mr. Joseph M. Fauvette, probation officer at Springfield District Court. Mr. Fauvette holds an MA in Public Health and is a graduate of the University of Massachusetts.

Mrs. Walter Ruckstuhl, state chairman of public health for the State Federation of Women's Clubs, will be present. Invocation will be given by Mrs. Charles W. Earle.

The Art Committee will feature a display and special musical selections will be presented. Mrs. Ernest Hall is hostess for the evening.

## Agawam YMCA Smorgasbord Jan. 25th; Menu Has Variety

The Agawam YMCA Smorgasbord announced the menu for this Saturday evening Smorgasbord which will be served from 5-7 at the Junior High School Cafeteria. Nick Zucco is the head chef assisted by YMCA Board of Directors and Lions members. The following will be on the menu. Roast beef, chicken, meat balls and gravy, cold cuts, potato salad, tossed salad, macaroni salad, tuna

fish salad, baked beans, rigatoni and meat sauce, cheeses, fruit salad, pies, clives, bread, coffee, tea, milk and other desserts.

### LIONESS CLUB TO HAVE BAKE SALE

The Agawam Lioness Club will have a table with home baked cakes, pies and pastries for sale. This is a project by the Lioness Club to help the Agawam YMCA. (Please Turn To Page 3)

The Ways and Means Committee of the Catholic Women's Club of Agawam will hold a SURPRISE Party at St. John's parish hall on Wednesday evening, Jan. 29th at 8 p.m. Many attractive

### John J. McCarthy F. Hills Chairman Of March of Dimes

Mr. John J. McCarthy once again will be chairman of the Feeding Hills March of Dimes. Mr. Joseph Dahdah, Postmaster, will assist as treasurer.

The Mothers' March of Dimes will be co-chaired by Mrs. Joseph DiFlumera, Mrs. Richard Sullivan and Mrs. John McCarthy.

Mr. and Mrs. McCarthy and Mrs. Sullivan have been active with the March of Dimes for the past 14 years.

Final returns for the Mothers March will be again made at the Feeding Hills Post Office, Tuesday evening, Jan. 28, from 7 p.m.

Refreshments will be served workers and friends.

Volunteers interested in helping with the Mothers March may contact Mrs. McCarthy, 732-1995; Mrs. Sullivan, 739-4056; or Mrs. DiFlumera, 172 Parkview Dr.

### Miss Colburn Fiancee of Richard J. Durant

Mr. and Mrs. Richard W. Colburn of Narragansett, R. I., formerly of Agawam, announce the engagement of their daughter, Priscilla Ann, to Richard



(Grenier-Ducharm Photo)  
PRISCILLA A. COLBURN  
Joseph Durant, son of Mrs. Joseph J. Durant of Fairview St., Agawam, and the late Mr. Durant. A September wedding is planned.

Miss Colburn graduated from

prizes will be awarded and refreshments will be served.

Mrs. Alexander Toczko, club president is honorary chairman, Mrs. Arthur Fortier, chairman and Mrs. Albert Taupier, co-chairman.

The following committees have been appointed to assist at this event: Tickets, Mrs. Thomas Fern, chairman, Miss Mary Barrett, Mrs. John Fitzgerald, Mrs. Gerald Girard, Mrs. James Moran; prizes, Mrs. Robert Anderson, chairman, Mrs. Francis Capitanio, Mrs. John Glogowski, Mrs. Claude Guidetti, Mrs. Robert Wysocki; refreshments and seating arrangements, Mrs. Peter Longo, chairman, Mrs. Donald Campbell, Mrs. Lenville Hart, Mrs. Arnold Jerry, Mrs. Joseph Lovotti, Mrs. William Martel, Mrs. Edward Mc-

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## Democratic Town Committee Plan Victory Dinner, Jan. 25

The Democratic Town Committee today announced a gala victory dinner to be held Saturday, the 25th, at St. Anne's Country Club, Feeding Hills. The Democrats who won 13 of the 17 seats on town boards in the November election are planning a tribute to the members of the party who were victorious in the election.

General chairman of arrangements is Bernard Battles with Richard Cebrelli, chairman of the Democratic Committee, serving as honorary chairman. A cocktail hour will start at 6:30 p.m., and dinner will be served at 7:30 p.m. Refreshments will be served workers and friends.

Volunteers interested in helping with the Mothers March may contact Mrs. McCarthy, 732-1995; Mrs. Sullivan, 739-4056; or Mrs. DiFlumera, 172 Parkview Dr.

Tickets are available from any of the above members. Reservations will close the 21st, so an early reservation will be appreciated. The next meeting of the committee planning the affair will be held at the Town Hall, the 21st, at 7:30 p.m.

Democratic officials to be honored are: Selectman, Joseph Della Giustina; Board of Assessors, Rudy Altobelli; Town Collector, Margaret Ferranti; School Committee, F. Joseph Napolitan and Joseph L. Pisano; Planning Board, Vincent M. Connor; Board of Library Trustees, Harriet S. Keogh and James G. Gregor; Board of Cemetery Commissioners, Roy M. Sullivan; Parks, Playground and Recreation Commissioners, Lawrence O'Connell, Jr., and Edward Regnier; Trustee, Whiting Street Fund, Mary F. Drew; Agawam Housing Authority, John Dunn.

## Railroad Dinner Scheduled Feb. 1 At St. David's

Saturday night, Feb. 1st, beginning at 5 in the upper parish hall the members of St. David's Episcopal Church Youth Fellowship will present one of their "Railroad" dinners in the parish hall.

Portions of a smorgasbord supper will be served directly to the plate of the "ding-car" passenger via electric train. Patrons will signal the yard engineers for the "express" to arrive at their place of seating.

Passengers will enter the upper parish hall which will depict an old-fashioned Railroad Station. There they will be given a ticket marking their destination at the table in the lower parish hall. Each town listed on the "Ticket" incorporates the name of one of the young people in the Fellowship. Prior to descending (Please Turn To Page 3)

## Jr. Women's Club Dinner Dance Feb. 15

A Winter Dinner Dance will be held for Agawam Junior Women's Club members and guests at The Willow Glen House in East Longmeadow on Saturday evening, Feb. 15th.

A cocktail hour from 6:30 to 7:30 will precede dinner. The Penthouse Trio will provide music for dancing until 12:30 p.m.

Mrs. Clyde A. Spaeth, chairman, has asked that all reservations be mailed to her by Feb. 7th.

## Heart Fund Co-Chairmen



Mr. and Mrs. Stanley C. Fuller of 61 Peros Drive, Agawam, pictured above, will be Heart Sunday co-chairmen for their town, it was announced by Dr. Henry W. Polchlopek of Chicopee, president of Western Chapter, Massachusetts Heart Association. General chairman will be Charles Shore of the Agawam Pharmacy, a post he has filled 12 years. Heart Fund Treasurer this year is Dudley P. Ramsdell of the Third National Bank Branch.

As co-chairmen, the Fullers will line up the volunteer solicitors for the February fund campaign which is climaxed on Heart Sunday, Feb. 23. The Fuller couple has been identified with many charitable activities in Agawam in recent years. Mr. Fuller is a supervisor at Fratt and Whitney and Mrs. Fuller, a graduate of Temple University, is a dental hygienist. They have two children.

## CHURCH NEWS

AGAWAM  
METHODIST CHURCH

459 Mill Street, Agawam

Rev. Kenneth Thornton, Minister  
Mrs. Kenneth Alexander, OrganistMrs. Marshall Keyes,  
Sanctuary Choir Director  
Mrs. Kenneth Alexander,  
Junior/Youth Choir DirectorFriday — 6:15 p.m. Bowling  
teams at Westside.Sunday — 9:30 a.m. The Church  
at Worship . . . Nursery for in-  
fants; Church School in session  
until 10:45 a.m.; 10:30 a.m. Fel-  
lowship Hour; 6 p.m. Youth  
Group.

## BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Benjamin Lockhart, Pastor  
Mrs. Ruth Daniels, Organist  
Mrs. Nancy Lund, Choir Director  
Mrs. Barbara Briggs,  
Church SecretaryThursday: 7:30 p.m. Senior  
Choir rehearse at church.Sunday: 9:30 a.m. Youth Sun-  
day—Members of the Senior and  
Junior High BYF's will take part  
in the worship service; 2 p.m.  
Rehearsal for the Mr. and Mrs.  
Club Show "A Happening" byGoldie Sutton in Bodurtha Hall;  
7:30 p.m. Service for the Week  
of prayer for Unity will be held  
in St. David's Episcopal Church;  
6 p.m. Junior High and Senior  
BYF's meet at church.Monday: 7:30 p.m. Rehearsal  
for the Mr. and Mrs. Club show  
in Bodurtha Hall. The show will  
be presented at the church on  
Friday and Saturday, Feb. 7 and 8.Tuesday: 6:30 p.m. Melody  
Choir rehearse at church.Wednesday: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
and 7 to 9 p.m. Trading Post  
open; 7:30 pm Rehearsal for the  
Mr. and Mrs. Club Show in Bo-  
durtha Hall.CONGREGATIONAL  
CHURCHRev. Floyd C. Bryan, Minister  
Mrs. A. G. Toussaint,  
Minister of MusicThursday: 12 noon. Ladies Aid  
Luncheon meeting. Program, New  
England Churches" by Mrs. E.  
M. McCormick.Friday — 4:15 p.m. Pastor's  
Class for 9th Graders; 7 p.m. Boy  
Scout meeting; 7:30 p.m. Sanc-  
tuary Choir rehearsal.Saturday — 8:45 a.m. Interme-  
diate Choir rehearsal; 9:30 a.m.  
Junior Choir rehearsal.Sunday — 9 p.m. Church at  
Morning Worship — Mr. Bryan  
preaching and 9 a.m. Church  
School, Nursery thru 6th Grade;  
10 a.m. Church School, 7th Grade  
thru 12th Grade; 11 a.m. Church  
at Morning Worship—Mr. Bryan  
preaching and Church School.  
Nursery thru 6th Grade; 7:30  
p.m. Senior Pilgrim Fellowship  
meeting.Tuesday — 6:30 p.m. Senior  
choir rehearsal.Wednesday 6:30 p.m. Merri-  
weds Supper meeting; 7:30 p.m.  
Teachers meeting.FEEDING HILLS  
CONGREGATIONAL  
CHURCH21 North Westfield St.  
Rev. Arthur N. Sweeney, PastorThursday — 6:30 p.m. Cherub  
Choir rehearsal; 7 p.m. Senior  
Choir rehearsal.Sunday — 10 a.m. Church School  
for grades K through 6th; 10  
a.m. Sunday Worship Service.  
Guest speaker: Rev. Walter Tel-  
fer, Western Area Minister,  
U.C.C. Mass Conference. A cof-  
fee hour will follow to which all  
are welcome; 7:30 p.m. Week of  
Prayer for Christian Unity; con-  
cluding service in St. David Epis-  
copal Church, Springfield St. All  
are welcome.Tuesday: 6:30 p.m. Covered  
dish supper in Griswold Hall;  
7:30 p.m. Annual meeting of  
the Church for business and the  
election of officers for 1969.Wednesday: 7:30 p.m. Sec-  
ond program in the Family Life  
Education series; this will deal  
with the current generations gap.  
"The Tuned-Out Generation" is  
the title of the film. Rev. Clarke  
Schaaf, Minister of Education,  
First Church of Christ, Long-  
meadow, will be present to guide  
the discussion. Refreshments will  
be served. All are most cordially  
welcome.ST. JOHN  
THE EVANGELIST  
CHURCHRev. Walter J. Joyce  
Rev. Albert BlanchardSaturday — Confessions 4 to  
5:45 and 7:30 to 9 p.m.

## MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday — 6:45, 8, 9:15, 10:30,  
11:45 a.m.Tuesday — 5:30 p.m., Mass fol-  
lowed by Miraculous Medal No-  
vena.ST. DAVID'S  
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Rev. John S. Tuler, Vicar

Thursday — 7 p.m. Boy Scout  
Troop #79 meets in parish hall.ST. ANTHONY  
OF PADUA CHURCHRev. Samuel Fayad, C.S.S.,  
Rev. Joseph Mantia, C.S.S.Saturday — 4 to 5 p.m. and 7:30  
to 8:30 p.m. confessions.

## MASS SCHEDULE

Sundays — 7, 8:30, 10:30 a.m.  
and 5:30 p.m.Week days — 7 a.m. and 5:30  
p.m.Holy days — 7 and 9 a.m., 5:30  
and 7:30 p.m.Tuesdays — 7:30 p.m. St. An-  
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CHURCH

Rev. Paul Bernard

## MASS SCHEDULE

Daily Mass — 7 a.m.

Saturday — 8 a.m. Mass — 4:30

and 7:30 Confessions.

Sunday — 7, 9 and 11 a.m.

Mass.

SACRED HEART  
CHURCH

## FEEDING HILLS

Rev. George Linse, C.S.S.

Rev. James Shea, C.S.S.

Saturday — 4:30 and 7:30 p.m.

Confessions

Sunday — 6:45, 8, 9:15, 11:30

a.m. Masses.

Tuesday — 7:30 p.m. Miraculous  
Medal Novena Devotions.VALLEY COMMUNITY  
CHURCH

"THE CHURCH ON THE HILL"

Rev. Frank E. Dunn, Minister

Mrs. Hazel Prior, Choir Director

Mrs. John MacPherson, Organist

Mrs. Richard Orr,

Church Secretary

Sunday — 10 a.m. Morning  
worship with sermon and Sunday  
School in Dunn Community Hall.BIBLE BAPTIST  
CHURCH

Upper Church and Second Sts.

West Springfield, Mass.

Larry Thornton, Pastor

Sunday — 9:45 a.m. Bible School  
for all ages; 11 a.m. Morning  
worship service. Supervised nur-  
sery service available upstairs  
in the church during both Bible  
School and morning service; 7  
p.m. Evening Service.Wednesday — 7:30 p.m. Mid-  
week prayer meeting and Bible  
study.(Bible Baptist Church is in  
fellowship with the General Assn.  
of Regular Baptist Churches and the  
American and International  
Councils of Christian Churches.)

## FUNERAL NOTICES

The funeral of Mrs. Mary A.  
(Bates) Wyant of 239 North St.,  
Feeding Hills, widow of Alfred  
V. Wyant and mother of Mrs.  
Mary Wetteland, Mrs. Nola  
Maguire, Mrs. Elizabeth Ann  
Drenzek and Mrs. Lois Ann Man-  
ville, was held Wednesday, Jan.  
8, from the Curran-Jones Funeral  
Home followed by a requiem high  
mass at St. Anthony's Church.  
The Rev. Samuel Fayad, C.S.S.,  
was celebrant. Bearers were Judson  
Wetteland, Wayne Wetteland,  
Judd Manville, Todd Manville  
and Jack Wetteland. Burial  
was in Sacred Heart Cemetery  
with Rev. John Cannilla offering  
the prayers of committal.

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The funeral of Mrs. Doris  
(Morrison) Wiskocil of 99 City  
View Ave., West Springfield, wife  
of Harry Wiskocil and mother of  
Mrs. Shirley Attardi of Agawam,  
was held Friday, Jan. 10, from the  
Curran-Jones Funeral Home  
followed by a requiem high mass  
at St. Thomas the Apostle Church.  
The Rev. William J. Egress was  
celebrant. Bearers were Paul  
Kluiko, Samuel Attardi, Edward  
Huchinson and James DeForge.  
Burial was in St. Thomas Cemetery  
with Fr. Egress offering the  
prayers of committal.

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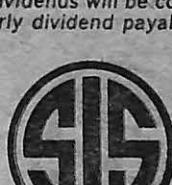
The funeral of Edmund A.  
Bouley of 25 Letendre Ave.,One-Day Ashram  
At Methodist ChurchA One-Day Ashram will be  
held at the Agawam Methodist  
Church, on Saturday morning,  
Jan. 25, beginning at 10 and con-  
tinuing until 4 in the afternoon.The Ashram is one of many  
group movements which have  
arisen in modern times as a re-  
sult of the desire to put back  
into the Christian Church the  
koinonia, or the fellowship,  
which is mentioned in the Acts  
of the Apostles.Dr. E. Stanley Jones, the well-  
known and much-loved mission-  
ary, author, and evangelist, dur-  
ing his more than 50 years of  
service in India, observed the In-  
dian Ashrams. Seeing much of  
value in the movement, he devel-  
oped a Christian approach and  
has been instrumental in bringing  
it, first to this country, and  
now around the world.The word itself is from the  
Sanskrit, and means "a retreat."  
Under the leadership of a dedi-  
cated faculty, church people from  
many denominations meet to-  
gether for a disciplined corporate  
that will make God more real in  
quest for deeper spiritual growth,  
one's daily living.At Agawam the program will  
be under the general supervision  
of Mrs. George England, of Wey-  
mouth, and Mrs. Roy Robinson,  
of Marshfield. Rev. Alan H.  
Moore, pastor of the First Meth-  
odist Church of Westfield, will  
lead the Bible Hour and Rev.  
John Banksy and Rev. John  
Hunn, co-pastors of The Coven-  
ant Presbyterian Church in  
Simsbury, Conn., will lead the  
Evangelist Hour.Prayer groups are an impor-  
tant part of the Ashram and  
small numbers of people will meet  
in this way. There will be peri-  
ods of sharing, when those who  
wish, may express their wants  
and needs; and at the close, state  
what help they have received.Each one attending will take  
his own bag lunch. Tea, coffee,  
or milk will be provided. Reser-  
vations are not necessary. There  
is a registration fee of \$1.This is an unusual opportunity  
to enjoy the fellowship of Chris-  
tian friends.Registration and Coffee Hour  
will be from 9:30 to 10.

## Decision Program

## To Start Feb. 1

Mrs. James Sgorbati, town  
chairman, has announced that  
groups are now being organized  
to participate in the Great De-  
cisions program. This is a nation-  
wide program concerning itself  
with vital world issues. Group  
discussions will start the week  
of Feb. 2, for eight weeks.Organizations, as well as indi-  
vidual groups are urged to par-  
ticipate. Anyone who would like  
to join a group, or organize a  
group either through an organiza-  
tion or privately is urged to  
call Mrs. Sgorbati, 1822 Main  
St., for further information.Topics regarding Asia, Cuba,  
the Middle East are three of the  
eight pertinent subjects to be  
discussed.Feeding Hills, husband of Mrs.  
Joan (Suski) Bouley, father of  
Edmund, Jr. and James Bouley,  
was held Wednesday, Jan. 15  
from the Curran-Jones Funeral  
Home followed by a requiem high  
mass at Sacred Heart Church.  
The Rev. George A. Linse, C.S.S.,  
and the Rev. Richard Ahearn,  
C.S.S., were concelebrants. Bear-  
ers were Ernest Bouley, Jr.,  
Francis Bouley, Jr., Michael De-  
Christopher, Robert Choinere,  
Robert Couture and Richard  
Martin. Burial was in St. Thomas  
Cemetery with Fr. Linse of-  
fering the prayers of committal.

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# Westfield Savings Bank Declares Dividends Of Over One Million

WESTFIELD — Trustees of the Westfield Savings Bank, holding their quarterly meeting at the Storowton Tavern in West Springfield, Tuesday night declared dividends totaling a record \$1,101,000, payable this month and bringing to an alltime high of \$2,171,000 the dividends paid to savers during the past year.

Henry F. Burrows, chairman of the board, presided as the trustee declared dividends of 4 1/2 percent on regular savings accounts and 5 percent on special notice accounts.

However, effective on the 10th new, higher rates will be available to savings depositors at the Westfield Savings Bank: 4 3/4 percent on regular savings accounts and 5 1/4 percent on special notice accounts. Dividends will be compounded quarterly beginning on Jan. 10, with the first quarterly dividend payable on April 10.

"Westfield Savings Bank has increased its dividends to savers consistently," said Arthur W. Knapp, president, "in line with the philosophy of the mutual savings bank system which returns its earnings to depositors."

Public response to the bank's dividend structure is indicated, Mr. Knapp said, by the record savings total of \$49,319,068 on Dec. 31, 1968. This is an increase of \$2,361,769 over the year-ago figure.

Real estate loans on December 31 totaled \$43,159,503, also a record, reflecting a year's gain of \$3,333,392, while the gain for the six months ended Dec. 31 was \$1,153,461.

Westfield Savings' assets on Dec. 31 were \$56,202,980.

Mr. Knapp told the trustees that Westfield Savings Bank experienced "an excellent 1968, and we anticipate that 1969 will be

## PROMENADERS

### SQUARE DANCE



Peg and Bob Shoemaker

## COLLEGE NEWS

Pittsburgh, Pa. — Michael C. Zimmerman of 156 Suffield St., Agawam, has been appointed to the Admissions Council of Carnegie-Mellon University, Pittsburgh.

Mr. Zimmerman was appointed by Carnegie-Mellon President H. Guyford Stever for a term of three years. The Carnegie-Mellon Admissions Council program is designed to establish close and effective relations with secondary school guidance counselors and their students.

## Voting Rights

Wyoming puts its women on a pedestal long before the other states. World Book Encyclopedia reports that Wyoming granted women full voting rights in 1869.

Albert Bessette of Walnut Street the club caller will be on hand to lead the dancers through the squares. Refreshments will be served under the direction of the new refreshment chairmen Vint and Gwen Gregory. Banners will be awarded to guest clubs having one square or more.

Program chairmen Doug and Adele Cochrane will announce plans for a pot luck supper and Valentine dance to be held on Feb. 14. A guest caller is scheduled for this event and details will be announced at this week's dance.

## GENERAL OFFICE WORKER NEEDED

General office procedure with typing and some shorthand necessary. Apply between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m.

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## Jr. Women's Club Need Used Books

The Agawam Junior Women's Club would like to ask Agawam residents to contribute to the Used Book Drive which was initiated by Mrs. Arthur H. Jarvis, first vice-president last September.

Books received in the previous collection were placed on sale at the Christmas Bazaar held by the Agawam Junior Women's Club in December. Some of the books were placed in circulation through the Feeding Hills and Agawam libraries.

All proceeds from the book sales will be donated to local libraries. Books collected and not sold will be sent to area hospitals.

Any resident who wishes to have books picked up at their home is asked to contact Mrs. Herbert M. Carpenter, Mrs. Bruno D. Antico, Mrs. Douglas W. Kerr or Mrs. Arthur H. Jarvis.

## N. E. Mobilehome Convention In June

Frank J. Sparks Jr., Executive Director of the New England Mobilehome Association has announced plans for the Association's Annual Convention to be held on June 25th and 26th at the Sheraton Motor Inn, Lexington, Mass.

The Board of Governors will meet on the evening of June 25th. The Annual Convention will be held on June 26th beginning at 11 a.m. and a buffet luncheon will be served at noon. The Convention will reconvene at 1:30 p.m.

Mr. Warren MacKenzie, President of the New England Mobilehome Association members from the six New England States.

## Catholic Women . . .

(Continued From Page 1)  
Mahon, Mrs. Dominick Mierzejewski, Mrs. Anthony Natale, Kenneth Oliver, Mrs. Roger Sherry, Mrs. Frank Verteramo; publicity, Mrs. John Ferrero and Mrs. Robert Shoemaker.

Tickets may be obtained from any member of the committee or may be purchased at the door. This affair is open to the public.

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## Jaycee-ettes . . .

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such as donating food baskets several times throughout the year, helped with the local gun registration, worked in co-operation with the town's senior citizens on several projects, hosted a Christmas party with 27 deserving children as guests, and patterned a little girl in a local town.

The Agawam Jaycee-ettes have assisted the Jaycees with several of their projects — Halloween Parade, Christmas Tree Lighting, and now are working on the Airshow for this spring.

Many of our townspeople will remember the Jaycee-ettes for their Forum on Patterning the mentally retarded. As a direct result of this successful project, there are five mentally retarded children in this locale being patterned. Dr. Marvin Bryan of Springfield, a certified educational consultant for New Eng-

land said, "I am deeply appreciable to the Agawam Jaycee-ettes for their significant role in facilitating a patterning program for these 5 children. They are a wonderful group of women."

In retrospect, the Jaycee-ettes of Agawam would like to extend their deepest thanks to all the townspeople for their support in so many of the projects run during the last two years.

It has been demonstrated that 25 per cent of any deer herd can be shot in the Fall without decreasing the annual size of the herd, according to the Mass. Audubon Society.

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## VWWI CARD PARTY WINNERS

The last game in the present series of Whist Parties sponsored by the Veterans of World War One was held last Wednesday evening in the Agawam National Guard Armory. Winners of door prizes were Walter Haggerty, Antoinette Trudell, George Pierce and Marion Damon.

Ladies ace prize winner was Eva Allard and Walter Haggerty for the men. Mystery prize winners were Amelia Riggott, Bea Newton and Howard Thayer.

The following were winners of high score: Ladies — 1st Ruth Cusson, 2nd Adine Morley, 3rd Amelia Riggott, 4th Del Burt; Men — 1st Lawrence Duclos, 2nd

Alfred Racette, 3rd George Pierce, 4th Robert Damon.

The new series started last night and will be held every Wednesday evening at the same time and place.

### 'Sno-Ball Card Party' Scheduled Jan. 28

A "Sno-Ball Card Party", sponsored by St. Anthony Society Auxiliary, will be held Jan. 28 at 7 p.m. in the St. Anthony Society Hall, 646 Springfield St., Feeding Hills. Tickets will be available at the door.

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### LEGAL NOTICES

#### MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the power of sale contained in a certain mortgage given by THOMAS F. JOHNSON to NORTHAMPTON INSTITUTION FOR SAVINGS, dated August 29, 1967 and recorded in Hampden County Registry of Deeds in Book 3283, Page 198, of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, there will be sold at Public Auction at Ten O'clock A.M. on Thursday, February 20, 1969, on the premises hereinafter described, all and singular the premises conveyed by said mortgage, said premises being therein described substantially as follows, to wit:

"... certain real estate situated in that part of AGAWAM, Hampden County, Massachusetts, known as FEEDING HILLS, being designated as Lot #23 (twenty-three), as shown on a plan of lots recorded in Hampden County Registry of Deeds in Book of Plans 104, Pages 64 and 65, said lot being bounded and described as follows:

EASTERLY: by Carmel Lane, as shown on said plan, one hundred ten (110) feet; SOUTHERLY: by Lot #21 (twenty-one), as shown on said plan, one hundred ninety-seven and 20/100 (197.20) feet;

WESTERLY: by land now or formerly of Carmel Associates, Inc., seventy-six and 68/100 (76.68) feet; NORTHERLY: by Lots #26 (twenty-six) and #25 (twenty-five), both as shown on said plan, two hundred (200) feet.

SUBJECT to easement rights of Western Massachusetts Electric Company, et al, under instrument dated October 24, 1966 and recorded as aforesaid in Book 3223, Page 237.

BEING the same premises conveyed to me by Charles R. Calabrese by deed to be recorded here-with."

The above premises will be sold subject to all outstanding municipal taxes, tax titles, assessments or liens, if any.

One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) will be required to be paid in cash by the purchaser at the time and place of sale as earnest money. Other terms to be announced at the sale.

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January 31

### SENIOR HIGH

Monday: Orange juice, hamburg special (lettuce, tomato, mayonnaise), potato chips, peanut butter sandwich, brownie square, milk.

Tuesday: Spaghetti w/meat tomato sauce, cabbage carrot salad, bread/butter, peaches, milk.

Wednesday: Orange juice, bologna & cheese on water roll, buttered carrots, peanut butter sandwich, orange blossom cake, milk.

Thursday: Orange juice, hamburg gravy, mashed potatoes, buttered corn, bread/butter, hermit cookies, milk.

Friday: Orange juice, egg salad roll, candied sweet potatoes, raw vegetable tray, peanut butter sandwich, pineapple pie square, milk.

### JUNIOR HIGH

Monday: Hamburg in gravy, mashed potatoes, buttered broccoli, bread/butter, fruit cup, peanut butter cookie, milk.

Tuesday: Juice, oven fried chicken, mashed potatoes, carrots/peas, bread/butter, jello w/topping, milk.

Wednesday: Juice, hamburg in buttered bun, green beans, peanut butter sandwich, pineapple, oatmeal cookie, milk.

Thursday: Juice, spaghetti w/meatballs, tossed salad, bread/butter, butter cake w/chocolate sauce, milk.

Friday: Juice, pizza, cabbage/carrot salad, peanut butter sandwich, pineapple upsidedown cake w/topping, milk.

### DANAHY

Monday: Juice, frankfurter in buttered roll, carrots/peas, cake, milk.

Tuesday: Juice, hamburg in gravy, mashed potatoes, bread/butter, broccoli, fruit cup, milk.

Wednesday: Elbow macaroni in meat tomato sauce, bread/butter, broccoli, fruit cup, milk.

Thursday: Elbow macaroni in meat tomato sauce, bread/butter, beans, peaches, milk.

Friday: Juice, toasted ham-cheese sandwich, potato chips, mixed vegetables, prune spice cake, milk.

### GRANGER

Monday: Juice, hamburg gravy, mashed potato, whole kernel corn, peanut butter sandwich, fruit cocktail, milk.

Tuesday: Juice, frankfurter on buttered bun, potato chips, relish, mustard, 7 minute cabbage, spice cake, milk.

Wednesday: Juice, oven fried chicken, fluffy rice, peas/carrots, bread/butter, ice cream, milk.

Thursday: Juice, sloppy Joe on water roll, buttered green beans, cheese cube, deep dish apple pie, milk.

Friday: Juice, tuna fish sailboat, peanut butter sandwich, buttered carrots, blueberry square, milk.

### PEIRCE

Monday: Meat balls w/tomato sauce, buttered steamed rice, buttered green beans, cheese cube, bread/butter, pink grapefruit sections, milk.

Tuesday: Hamburg w/brown gravy, whipped potatoes, buttered broccoli, cranberry sauce, peanut butter honey sandwich, chocolate cookies, milk.

Wednesday: Orange juice, open face turkey sandwich w/gravy, buttered mixed vegetables, bread/butter, sliced peaches and pears, milk.

Thursday: Spaghetti w/tomato meat sauce, buttered peas/carrots, cheese or peanut butter sandwich, silver cake w/pineapple topping, milk.

Friday: Orange juice, oven

fried fish sticks, scalloped potatoes, harvard beets, bread/butter, peanut creme pudding w/topping, milk.

### PHELPS

Monday: Tomato soup, ham salad sandwich, buttered green beans, applesauce cake, milk.

Tuesday: Elbow macaroni w/tomato meat sauce, cabbage carrot salad, bread/butter, peaches, milk.

Wednesday: Orange juice, hamburg on buttered roll, onion slices, relish, buttered carrots, chocolate cake w/butter frosting, milk.

Thursday: Juice, chicken in gravy, mashed potatoes, buttered peas, bread/butter, fruit jello w/topping, milk.

Friday: Juice, grilled cheese sandwich, green salad, peanut butter cookie, apple, milk.

### ROBINSON

Monday: Citrus juice, frankfurter on buttered roll, mustard, relish, buttered carrots, cheese sticks, ginger bread w/apple, sauce topping, milk.

Tuesday: Oven baked chicken, sweet potatoes, cranberry sauce, buttered peas, bread/butter, ice cream, milk.

Wednesday: Tomato soup w/rice, raw vegetables, chopped ham salad on rye bread, peanut butter cookies, fruit, milk.

Thursday: Shell macaroni w/meat tomato sauce, buttered green beans, bread/butter, peaches, milk.

Friday: Juice, Tuna fish sandwich, peanut butter sandwich, cabbage carrot salad, potato chips, dessert, milk.

### SOUTH

Monday: Italian spaghetti w/meat sauce, A.B.C. salad, buttered Vienna bread, citrus fruit cup, milk.

Tuesday: Orange juice, turkey in gravy on mashed potatoes, buttered spinach, peanut butter on rye, peach pudding w/topping, milk.

Wednesday: Citrus juice, meat ball grinder w/sauce on buttered roll, cheese sticks, buttered carrots, fruit cup, milk.

Thursday: Orange juice, homemade beef stew w/vegetables, celery sticks, peanut butter on rye, apple, brownie, milk.

Friday: Baked fish sticks, parsley buttered potatoes, cabbage carrot salad, buttered Vienna bread, banana, milk.

Perfume saleswoman to customer: "This one has been banned by Planned Parenthood."

### LEGAL NOTICES

#### COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

HAMPDEN ss PROBATE COURT  
To all persons interested in the estate of MARY J. BARBIERI otherwise MARIA J. BARBIERI late of Agawam in said County, deceased.

A petition has been presented to said Court, praying that PAULINE V. BARBIERI of said Agawam, be appointed administratrix of said estate without giving a surety on her bond.

If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Springfield, in the County of Hampden, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the eighteenth day of February 1969, the return day of this citation.

Witness, ABRAHAM J. SMITH, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, the fourteenth day of January 1969.

JOHN J. LYONS, Register.  
(Jan. 23-30, Feb. 6)



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## Internal Revenue Service Official Questions-Answers

Q. I am a high school student with a part-time job. Do I have to file a Federal Income Tax Return?

A. In view of the fact that you haven't given me sufficient information to adequately answer your question, I will outline the general requirements as to who must file.

Every individual under 65 years of age who had gross income of \$600 or more during the tax year.

If a taxpayer were 65 or older on the last day of 1968, no return is required unless he had gross income of \$1,200 or more.

Individuals whose gross income was less than the amounts stated above should file to obtain a refund of any income tax withheld from his salary. Only by filing a return will it be possible to receive the refund.

Self employed persons whose net profit is \$400 or more should file even though the gross income was less than \$600 (\$1,200 if 65 or older).

Q. I have a W-2 from my employer and I do not have a tax form. Where can I secure one?

A. Every taxpayer who filed a return last year should have received a form through the mail. However, if you are in need of any forms you should call or telephone your nearest Internal Revenue Service office.

Q. At my place of employment there is a lot of discussion as to who can and who cannot file a joint return. Will you square me away for once and for all as to just who may file a joint return?

A. Individuals who as of the last day of the taxable year (December 31 for most taxpayers) are:

Married and living together.

Married and living apart but not divorced or legally separated.

Separated under an interlocutory decree of divorce.

If your spouse died during the tax year, you are considered to have been married for the entire year. If you did not remarry during the tax year, you may file a joint return for yourself and your deceased spouse.

Q. I am just a bit confused as to whether I can file on a Form 1040A which you people call a short form or the 1040 long form. Would you kindly tell me who is permitted to use the little card—Form 1040A? Also, does a 1040A allow any deductions at all?

A. In answering the first part of your question let me say that any citizen or resident who had less than \$10,000 total income, consisting of wages subject to withholding tax and not more than \$200 income from other wages, dividends, and interest can use Form 1040A.

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## HOWDY NEIGHBOR

By BOYD PIERCE  
Some folks will drink to health until they collapse.

Sometimes the rejected lover believes that cupid is stupid.

Don't talk about yourself because it will be done by others when you leave.

If you can't push, pull. If you can't pull, please move on out of the way.

An expert is someone called in at the last minute to share the blame.

What this country needs is fewer people telling us what this country needs.

Abraham Lincoln said the Lord preferred common-looking people. That is why he made so many of them.

Then there was the glamour girl who told her admirer "there was something about you I liked but you spent it."

The doctor told his overweight patient. "I want to see three-fourths of you at this same time next month."

I have heard from reliable sources that in some beauty salons, the talk alone will curl your hair.

Inflation is the time when you have the money to burn and can't afford to purchase the matches.

How nice it would be if all dieters would simply eat the calories allowed instead of counting the calories aloud.

The average woman is supposed to have a smaller vocabulary than the average man, but she uses her words more often.

A celebrity is a person who works hard all his life to become well-known and then wears dark glasses to avoid being recognized.

The difference between an old man and a young man is that the old man looks at the past and the young man looks at what's passing.

There are three pairs that never seem to agree: two married women in the same house; two cats with one mouse between them; two bachelors wooing the same girl.

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RESERVATIONS for the first annual Golden Ball are now being accepted. Deadline is Monday Feb. 3rd. DON'T MISS OUT on this highlight of the social season. The Ball will be held on Feb. 8th at St. Theresa's Hall on Bridge Street. Tickets can be obtained from Ernie Dumond,

732-1996; Joe Mika 569-6814; or Buddy Baker 732-2556. Tickets are also available at the Lodge.

A smorgasbord will be held at 6:30 p.m. with dancing starting at 7:30 to the music of MAR-J Trio. The story of the Golden Ball will be told at 9. SURPRISES AND SOUVENIRS WILL be awaiting everyone who attends. Dress is SEMI-FORMAL. DON'T BE SORRY — BE THERE...

INSTALATION — Sunday Jan. 26th starting at 2:30 p.m. at St. Theresa's Hall. SPONSORS are requested to be present. The LADIES presence is also requested at the smorgasbord following the ceremony.

OFFICER MEETING TUESDAY, Jan. 28th at the lodge.

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Which, of course, was the plan.

In 1949, when we decided not to outdate the bug, some of the big auto names making big, fancy changes were Kaiser, Hudson and Nash.

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## SPORTSMEN'S CORNER



By BILL CHIBA

Boston's two top baseball stars will share the spotlight during the concluding week-end of New England Sportsmen's & Camping Show which opened for 9 days on Saturday, Jan. 18 in Boston's War Memorial Auditorium.

Carl Yastrzemski will join team-mate Ken Harrelson for appearances at the stage and water show on Saturday and Sunday, Jan. 25 and 26. Harrelson is being featured daily throughout the nine-day show.

The two stars will demonstrate ball playing tips, answer queries and sign autographs. This is the first time that two outstanding sports celebrities have been featured simultaneously at the big stage and water show. The duo will make four appearances on Saturday and two on Sunday, the final day.

It is estimated that more than 300,000 persons will pass through the doors of the War Memorial Auditorium in Boston's Prudential Center to visit this huge mecca of all the new 1969 sporting gear for fisherman, hunter, camper and other sportsmen. The entire second floor of the auditorium is devoted to a complete camping show with trailers, tents, mobile homes and all types of camping accessories.

The show is open daily this week from 1 to 11 p.m. except Saturday when doors open at 11 a.m. The show will close at 7 p.m. on Sunday, Jan. 26.

## INTERNATIONAL BOAT SHOW

The 1969 International Boat Show will be held in Boston's War Memorial Auditorium from Feb. 8 through 16th.

This big nautical spectacle, sponsored by New England Marine Trade Assn., will bring all the top names of the boating industry to Boston, one of the major regional markets in the U. S.

The entire two floors of the War Memorial Auditorium in the \$100,000,000 Prudential Center will be devoted to boats, engines and marine accessories exclusively. All these exhibits are sponsored by leading American and foreign manufacturers.

The show is coordinated by Sherman Expositions which also direct such big spectacles as the successful International Auto Show, New England Home Show, Miami Auto Show, and N. E. Sportsmen's & Camping Show.

## SPORTSMEN'S FORTUNATE

When Francis W. Sargent became Governor of Mass. Jan. 20, he holds the distinction of being the first professional conservationist to hold the highest office in this Commonwealth.

Sportsmen are well acquainted with "Sarge," for his credits include one highly successful year as Director of the Mass. Div. of Fisheries and Game prior to his appointment as Cmdr. of the Dept. of Public Works and later elected to the office of Lt. Gov. under Gov. John A. Volpe.

During his term as Cmdr. of DPW, Sarge continued to champion the causes of conservation in Mass. He insisted upon the implementation of policies that would protect and enhance the heritage of our natural resources.

Frank Sargent is a participant as well as a leader. Until governmental duties severely restricted his time, he was known as the angler who always caught the first striped bass of the season on Cape Cod. As Lt. Governor he has managed to find occasional hours for hunting and fishing. Because of his continued activity in the conservation field he enjoys a first-name relationship with the foremost sportsmen of the northeast.

Gov. Sargent may face difficult problems during the next two years, but to outdoorsmen who have known him since the days when he guided the destinies of a tiny mid-Cape sporting goods shop—and found time to fight their battles in Boston—the odds are long that he'll succeed.



## PLAN YOUR ATTACK

Fishing, like football, requires a bit of strategy. And a good job of "double-teaming" will work just as well on bashful bass as it does on a bruising fullback.

Since many fishing hours are consumed in finding the right combination of lure and fishing depth on a particular day, say the fishing experts at Mercury outboards, the use of and teamwork is highly recommended.

Before casting off from the dock, spend a few minutes in a skull-session with your partner. Discuss the "playing field"—its bays, rocky points, weed beds, dropoffs, etc. How is the weather likely to affect the fish? And what are the scouting reports of yesterday's anglers?

As the plan of attack is mapped out, each man is given a specific assignment. In a boat, it's usually a case of "you hit 'em high and I'll hit 'em low."

If the waters are strange and you're in the fish-finding stage, you'll probably elect to troll. With two men, both the shallow and middle, or middle and lower depths can be tested simultaneously. The inshore angler works the shallower level, while the offshore rod probes deeper—an efficient, hour-saving arrangement.

When fish are known to be in a certain spot, different combinations of lures should be tried: floaters and sinkers, spoons and plugs . . . even various colors of the same lure.

"Ganging up" in this manner may often cut experimenting and prospecting almost in half, note the Mercury lads. The only rule is that two different approaches should be used at the same time.

Instead of copying your partner's choice of lure, snap on what might be his next selection.



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## Treatment at March of Dimes Center Enables Girl to Throw Away Crutches

Patty Bruce, 7, of Pontiac, Mich., crippled since birth by a severe spinal birth defect, learned by happy accident when she was little more than three years old that she could walk without braces or crutches.

It was a hot summer day and her mother had set aside Patty's crutches, removed the braces from her legs and stood the pretty little blonde in a neighbor's backyard wading pool. "It was like a miracle," Mrs. Bruce recalls. "She began to walk right through the water."

After that day, Patty, who was born with leg-paralyzing open spine and deformities of both feet, practiced and exercised until she needed neither braces nor crutches on dry land. If there is a miracle in her story, however, it has nothing to do with the water.

Dr. Donita B. Sullivan, director of the March of Dimes-financed Birth Defects Center at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, explained, "With proper physical therapy and other treatment over a period of time, children like Patty often develop enough muscle power to walk without the support of braces."

Today, for a girl who had such a slow start, Patty can do a swinging job with a hula hoop. But life has been a long, uphill struggle.

Patty's fight to live like children born free of handicaps began in Pontiac when she came into the world prematurely, weighing only 3 1/2 pounds. She was the first of fraternal twins, and her brother, Mike, was also born with a birth defect.

Doctors detected a heart murmur in the lad, indicating possible congenital heart defects, and have been seeing him once a year since birth.

Patty's condition required immediate attention. When she was three months old, she was taken to the Birth Defects Center in Ann Arbor where neurosurgeons performed corrective surgery on her back. After that, her deformed feet were treated, first with casts, then with braces and now with exercise only. The little girl has returned to the March of



PATTY BRUCE, 7, Pontiac, Mich., may sound sound to her twin brother, Mike, but she was born with an open spine and can't walk so well. Mike has no problem walking, but he was born with heart defects. With them is Dr. Donita B. Sullivan, director of the March of Dimes-financed Birth Defects Center at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.

Dimes Center four or five times a year since her operation for continuing treatment and checkups.

According to Dr. Sullivan, Patty may need urologic surgery sometime in the future.

As a result of the open spine, the little girl cannot control her bladder or bowels.

Through the years much of Patty's therapy has been received at home. One of her favorite means of exercise is a rocking horse. Mrs. Bruce points out, also, that brother Mike has a lot to do with Patty's success in learning to walk. "She always watched

him and tried to copy him."

Patty has learned to walk well, but she is not yet able to walk normally. She still tends to toe in.

"One day she came home from school and said one of her classmates called her 'pigeon-toed,'" Mrs. Bruce says. "Well, I just smiled and told her not to mind. I am just so happy that she can walk at all."

Since that hot summer day several years ago when Patty took her first unaided step, the Bruce family have installed a new fixture in their backyard. Right in the middle is a very large children's wading pool.

## N.E. Camper-Trailer Show Set At Suffolk Downs, Jan. 22-27

BOSTON — Upwards of 20,000 square feet of display space will be converted into an outdoorsmen's paradise in the giant, all-enclosed clubhouse, Suffolk Downs, East Boston, during the third annual New England Camper and Trailer Show, Jan. 22-27.

More than 500 recreational vehicles from all parts of the United States will be displayed during the mammoth six-day exposition, including the largest display of trailers ever assembled under one roof in the New England area. In addition, the newest and best in tents and camping accessories will be exhibited.

Overall, there will be 65% increase in the number of exhibits as compared to a year ago, according to Show Director Edward M. Flanagan.

"Camping is no longer just a summer activity; it's a year round proposition for thousands upon thousands of families," added Flanagan, noting that a large number of ski enthusiasts have been attracted to the show in the past. Since the coming show is substantially larger than a year ago, Flanagan expects a comparable increase in attendance over the record-breaking crowds of last year.

Travel trailers are now equipped with all the basic necessities of any home—heat, plumbing and cooking facilities. In addition,

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Joseph V. Barr will serve only one month as secretary of the Treasury, but he will leave behind more than 100 million \$1 bills carrying his signature.

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# V.F.W. Post 1632 and Auxiliary Bulletin

By ANNA D. BISSONNETTE

## WITH SYMPATHY

Many friends and members of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and their Auxiliaries were present at Curran and Jones for the Military Ritual on Sunday, Jan. 19, for Thomas Murphy of the Barcomb-Trowbridge Post #6741 of West Springfield. Attending from Agawam Post #1632 were Wilfred H. Bissonnette, Edward Harpin, James Hayes, Raymond Negruci and Gus Hocker.

Death is but a stepping stone, To that eternal life, In which there's NO unhappiness, NO suffering or strife. And so Tom Murphy IS at peace,

And lives ON in a place, WHERE there is light and gladness, And will see GOD face to face. Many shall miss him and we'll remember all the good he has done.

Past Cmdr. Tom Dickinson not well after a fall; Ida Bondi still in West Springfield Nursing Home, Westfield St., W. Springfield, Mass.; Jim Stellato's parents still ailing but Mary feeling much better.

## SAVE A DATE

Attending the Western County Council Auxiliary V.F.W. meeting Sunday, Jan. 19 at 2:30 p.m. at the William F. Davitt Post Home on Front St., Chicopee, were Betty Mae Curran and Anna D. Bissonnette, representatives from the Agawam Auxiliary. NEXT meeting will be Sunday, Feb. 23rd, 2:30 p.m. at the Veterans of Foreign Wars Home, Main St., Amherst, Mass. Will YOU be going?

Menu for Friday, Jan. 24th will be steamed clams, New England style clam chowder, tuna club sandwiches with cheese, lettuce, tomatoes and french fries. SAVE THIS DATE. Anna Hayes and Anna Bissonnette will be happy to serve you there.

Hospital Chairman Betty Curran announced that a letter arrived thanking ALL who participated in any way at the hospitals. It said, in part, "YOU are to be commended for the many Christmas activities. Your personal service and generous donations contributed greatly to the morals of our veterans during the Holiday Season. With your support and participation our Patient Personalized Gift Program was completely successful. Sixty volunteers helped wrap the gifts and 20 volunteers distributed gifts on Christmas Eve."

On Jan. 23rd, there will be a CARNIVAL sponsored by the V.F.W. Western County Council Auxiliary. On Jan. 27th, there will be a VARIETY SHOW sponsored by the Massachusetts Elks Association. WE NEED MORE VOLUNTEERS!! HOW ABOUT YOU? Got any spare time?

Feb. 14th is Valentine Day—Get your husband or wife a membership card in the V.F.W. Post #1632 or its Auxiliary.

February is also "Heart Month" — Are YOU ready to help? Remember, many hands make light work. Cmdr. Harpin also announced that "French Night" is coming up in February. Date to be announced later . . . HERE.

## My Beat — A.H.S.

Jo-Ann Della-Giustina

In order to hold more activities for the AHS students, the Student Council is sponsoring a Winter Carnival on Feb. 20-22. During the day there will be a snow sculpture contests and snowball fights between classes. Sleigh rides will be featured Thursday night. Friday night there will be a basketball game and a dance will be held on Saturday night to end the Carnival. Committees for the Carnival are working on the final plans for the week-end. The event will be non-profit, and we hope that all AHS students will attend the week-end and enjoy themselves.

## RUSSIAN

Opportunities at Agawam High School are numerous, and one of them is learning Russian. Miss Stone, who majored in Russian, has begun teaching interested

students the language. Each Monday and Thursday after school the students attend a class which will give them the advantage of learning a new and different language. Good luck to you who are learning Russian.

COMING EVENTS: Model Congress delegates have drawn up their bill to be presented in March at AIC...Operetta rehearsals in full swing...Yearbook staff is preparing for remaining deadlines.

Two expectant fathers were nervously pacing the floor in the waiting room of a maternity hospital. "What tough luck," grumbled Jack. "This had to happen during my vacation."

"You think you've got troubles?" replied John. "I'm on my honeymoon."

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Wednesday, Feb. 5—Sinai Temple, 11 Dickinson St., Spfld. 1 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Tuesday, Feb. 11 — YMCA (Central), Buxton Room, 275 Chestnut St., Spfld. 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

Tuesday, Feb. 18—K of C #160, 2071 Page Blvd., Indian Orchard. 1 p.m.-7 p.m.

Tuesday, Feb. 25 — American International Auditorium, Wilbraham Road, Spfld. 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

For donor transportation and appointments call A. R. C. at 737-4306.



Q. I am 62 years old and thinking of retiring. My wife is only 56 and we have a son 15. Someone told my wife that she and my son can collect Social Security benefits also when I retire. Is this true? My wife doesn't work.

A. Yes, this is correct. We may pay benefits to your wife and son, until your son is age 18. At 18, benefits will be stopped, unless your son continues his education, then benefits can be paid until age 22 for him, as long as he remains a full-time student in an accredited school. Your wife could again start receiving benefits at age 62.

Q. I was involved in an accident early this month and will be unable to work for at least a year, according to my doctor. I was employed for over 9 years before this accident. Can I file for disability benefits and if yes, when should I do it?

A. According to the information you have supplied in your letter, you should file as soon as possible. Benefits are not payable until after a person has been disabled for 6 full months. Filing early and obtaining necessary medical information for the claim, will help insure payments to you as soon as the six months waiting period is up.

Q. How disabled must a widow be to qualify for benefits under the new amendments?

A. Under the new law, a severely disabled widow can receive benefits if she has a physical or mental impairment that would be severe enough to keep her from performing any gainful work, and her impairment has lasted, or is expected to last a year or more.

Q. I am a 53-year old widow. My husband died in August of 1963. I can't work because I have a heart condition since May of 1965.

A. If your heart condition is severe enough to prevent you from doing any type of work, you may be eligible for disabled widow's benefits.

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## Jaycee-Ettes Slated To Meet Jan. 28

The January meeting of the Agawam Jaycee-Ettes will be held Tuesday evening, Jan. 28th, at the home of Mrs. Steven Tesny of 82 Sunnyslope Ave., Agawam.

The meeting will start at 8 and all members are asked to be in attendance as final plans for the Valentine Tea at the State Hospital and the Potluck Supper to be held in February will be made at this meeting.

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